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At the Genll Aſembly Held for the Collony
at Newport the 4th: of May 1681:

is Aſembly takeing into Conſideration the Matter by them preſented by two Aſistants the Towne Councell of providence Concerning the late rash turbulent and violent avior of Benjamin Hernden junr of Sd providence towards an Indian man as he upon his mination the 25th of April did acknowledge, that he being lately in the woods belonging to Said Towne and there Seeing an Indian man, did shoot with his gunn at the Said Indian th an Intent to have killed him, and for noe other Cauſe (as he himſelfe confeſseth) but for that the said Indian would not obay his word, and stand at his Comand, who indeed had noe Authorety nor just Cauſe soe to Comand; which said Indian Notwithstanding the said violence to him ofered did not seek to Revenge himſelfe by the like return; although he alſoe had a gunn and might have Shott at Hernden againe if he had been minded soe to have done, but went peaceably away, only uſeing some words by way of Reproofe, unto the said Hernden, blaming him for that his violence and Cruelty, and wondering that English men should offer to soe to Shoot at him, and such as he was, without Cauſe:

This Aſembly haveing Seariouſly Conſidered and weighed the matter, doe ſee cauſe for the prevention of such inſolent and Outragious actions for futhure time (to Enact) And hereby it is by this Aſembly and the Authorety thereof Enacted that all his Majestys Subjects in this Collony are hereby Required to behave them ſelves peaceably towards the Indians in like manner as before the warr, and noe perſon or perſons shall preſume to doe any such unlawfull acts of violence against the Indians upon their perrills.

Voted Ordered by this Aſembly that a Copy of this act be forthwith drawn by the Genll Recorder and the seale of the Collony affixed and sent unto the Towne of providence and there to be publiſhed with all Expedition:

Copa ꝑ John Sanford Recorder.

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at Newport the 4th: of May 1681:

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This Aſsembly haveing seariouſly Conſidered and weighed the matter, doe ſee cauſe for the prevention of such inſolent and outragious actions for futhure time (to Enact) And hereby it is by this Aſſembly and the Authorety thereof Enacted that all his Majestys subjects in this Collony are hereby Required to behave them ſelves peaceably towards the Indians in like manner as before the warr, and noe perſon or perſons shall preſume to doe any such unlawfull acts of violence against the Indians upon their perrills.

Voted Ordered by this Aſſembly that a Copy of this act be forthwith drawn by the Genˡˡ Recorder and the seale of the Collony affixed and sent unto the Towne of providence and there to be publiſhed with all Expedition ~:

Copª: ꝑ John Sanford Recorder